GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:209
ANSWERED ON:18.03.2002
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MUSHROOM PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial assistance provided for mushroom production and its export by his Ministry and Agricultural Produce Export Development Authority (APEDA) during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the promotion of mushroom production and its export?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a)&(b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.209 DUE FOR REPLY ON 18TH MARCH, 2002.

(a)&(b): Department of Agriculture and Cooperation implemented a scheme on Development of mushroom during 9th Plan under which financial assistance was made available to the States. An amount of Rupees197.92 lakhs was released to States/UTs during 1998-99, Rs.178.96 lakhs (1999-2000) and Rs.50 lakhs (2000-01). A statement indicating release of funds to States/UTs for three years may be seen at Annexure-I.

Since October, 2000 the scheme was subsumed in the Scheme on Macro Management of Agriculture – supplementation/Complementation of States Efforts through Work Plans. Under this scheme States have greater flexibility to prioritise their needs. The macro management scheme has regionally differentiated developmental approach under which pursuing of programmes for development of mushroom is a need based activity of the State concerned. The programmes of the scheme can now be pursued by the States/UTs through work plans. A statement indicating release of funds under macro management may be seen at Annexure-II.

Agricultural Produce Export Development Authority (APEDA) has provided financial assistance of Rs.23.79 lakhs during last three years, for export promotion of mushroom. The financial assistance has been provided to different exporters.

For export promotion of mushroom, APEDA has conducted a study for ascertaining prevailing status of Indian mushroom industries, the potential for export vis-Ã -vis global competition from traditional and large producers, suppliers from various countries. APEDA is creating, through conferences, awareness about pre-harvest and post-harvest technology in the production of quality mushroom for exports.

The National Horticulture Board (NHB) has provided Rs.60.97 lakhs to seven mushroom projects during the year 2001-02. NHB is providing assistance through their scheme on `Development of Commercial Horticulture through production and post-harvest management`.

Mushroom Development Centre, Solan, is promoting development of mushroom production by disseminating mushroom production technology through trainings, publications in various languages and also making available spawn to growers. The centre has also initiated a correspondence course on mushroom in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Open University.

ANNEXURE-I

STATE-WISE RELEASE OF FUNDS UNDER CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME ON MUSHROOM CULTIVATION DURING 1998-1999, 1999-2000 & 2000-2001

(RS. IN LAKHS)

States	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
Andhra Pradesh	0.00	5.00	3.00
Arunachal Pradesh	8.75	6.16	0.00
Assam	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bihar (Including Jharkhand)	65.90	0.00	2.00
Goa	0.00	0.00	2.00
Gujarat	0.00	29.80	5.00
Haryana	3.00	6.00	3.00
Himachal Pradesh	36.77	5.30	1.00
Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	1.00
Karnataka	17.00	8.33	6.00
Kerala	21.00	12.00	2.00
Madhya Pradesh (Including Chhattisgarh)	1.50	5.10	2.00
Maharashtra	0.00	6.68	3.00
Manipur	0.00	3.66	0.00
Meghalaya	0.00	4.00	0.00
Mizoram	4.00	0.80	0.00
Nagaland	4.00	15.00	0.00
Orissa	2.00	4.93	2.00
Punjab	0.00	0.00	2.00
Rajasthan	0.00	3.00	2.00
Tamil Nadu	8.50	4.10	5.00
Tripura	5.50	3.10	0.00
Uttar Pradesh	0.00	53.00	2.00
West Bengal	0.00	3.00	2.00
Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00
Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00
Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00
Delhi	0.00	0.00	5.00
Subtotal	197.92	178.96	50.00
Total	197.92	178.96	50.00+

+ This is 25% of the funds released to States/UTs during 2000-2001. Balance 75% funds were released since Oct., 2000, through Centrally Sponsored on Macro-Management in Agriculture.

ANNEXURE-II

FUNDS RELEASED UNDER MACRO MANAGEMENT SCHEME DURING 2000-2001 & 2001-2002

(RS. IN LAKHS)

States	2000-2001	2001-2002 (till date)			
	Funds relesed under centraly sponsored scheme	Funds relesed under macro mgnt.	Total	Grant	Loan Total
Andhra Pradesh	889.38	1362.79	2252.17	1347.44	677.56 2025.00
Arunachal Pradesh	60.85	473.15	534.00	80.97	138.53 219.50

Assam	82.59	409.47	492.06	336.91	186.59	523.50
Bihar	91.49	261.07	352.56	1387.79	412.21	1800.00
Jharkhand	19.47	-	19.47	876.00	219.00	1095.00
Goa	29.42	-	29.42	144.00	36.00	180.00
Gujarat	1488.57	1511.43	3000.00	1137.71	662.29	1800.00
Haryana	317.11	916.28	1233.39	982.72	475.26	1457.98
Himachal Pradesh	553.78	687.51	1241.29	1158.50	461.50	1620.00
Jammu & Kashmir	355.68	492.64	848.32	549.47	260.53	810.00
Karnataka	1838.38	4222.00	6060.38	35756.00	1949.40	37705.40
Kerala	353.77	2672.93	3026.70	905.41	894.59	1800.00
Madhya Pradesh	2402.02	1518.40	3920.42	3296.32	1203.68	4500.00
Chhattisgarh	-	963.00	963.00	827.40	447.60	1275.00
Maharashtra	2050.34	6884.75	8935.09	5823.05	3176.95	9000.00
Manipur	88.78	390.35	479.13	197.93	147.07	345.00
Meghalaya	76.02	466.30	542.32	68.93	133.81	202.74
Mizoram	155.64	466.39	622.03	482.72	237.28	720.00
Nagaland	154.20	1016.47	1170.67	413.19	363.61	776.80
Orissa	614.89	-	614.89	1188.00	297.00	1485.00
Punjab	214.65	500.00	714.65	728.00	307.00	1035.00
Rajasthan	3136.60	3438.55	6575.15	3392.29	1707.71	5100.00
Tamil Nadu	1634.27	2807.00	4441.27	3038.60	1461.40	4500.00
Tripura	135.32	340.59	475.91	435.88	194.12	630.00
Uttar Pradesh	2254.95	4033.00	6287.95	4665.40	2174.60	6840.00
Uttaranchal	230.00	690.00	920.00	870.00	390.00	1260.00
West Bengal	349.18	728.65	1077.83	1654.33	595.67	2250.00
Sikkim	102.58	635.28	737.86	133.51	192.20	325.71
Chandigarh	0.65	-	0.65	50.00	-	50.00
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	21.61	-	21.61	135.00	-	135.00
Daman & Diu	4.34	-	4.34	45.00	-	45.00
Delhi	61.03	-	61.03	-	-	0.00
Andaman & Nicobar	38.87	-	38.87	90.00	-	90.00
Pondicherry	15.14	-	15.14	108.00	27.00	135.00
Lakshadweep	10.18	-	10.18	90.00	-	90.00
Total	19831.75	37888.00	57719.75	72396.47	19430.16	91826.63